

REMARKS

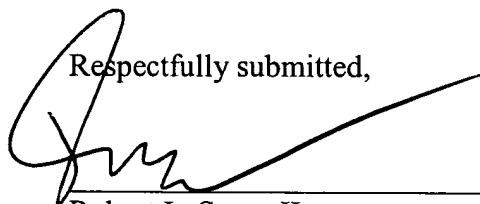
Claims 1-53 and 57-59 were pending in the present application as amended by Supplemental Amendment December 11, 2003. Claims 2-6, 8-13, 16, 19-22, 24-26, 30-46, 49, 50 and 52 are withdrawn from consideration, pending the allowance of a generic claim. Reconsideration of the present application in view of the above supplemental amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended to reverse certain changes made in the above-noted Supplemental Amendment filed December 11, 2003 related to the claimed amplification changing unit due to a misunderstanding. Minor additional changes have further been made.

In view of the foregoing, the applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance and a timely notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If questions relating to patentability remain, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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